

In the claims:

Claims 1-16 cancelled.

17. (new) A hand power tool, comprising a housing; an electric motor located in said housing; a tool insert located in a tool retainer and drivable in rotation; a guard device detecting a blockage of said tool insert via a sensor unit and blocking a motion of said housing, said guard device including a mechanical unlocking unit that is manually actuatable by a user's actuating force; and a gear actuatable via an on/off switch means for actuating said unlocking unit.

18. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said electric motor is switchable off when the motion of said housing is blocked, said electric motor being also switchable on said unlocking unit being automatically actuated via said on/off switch means when said electric motor is switched on.

19. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said sensor unit of said guard device is configured as a mechanical sensor unit.

20. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said sensor unit of said guard device includes a restoring spring.

21. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said sensor unit of said guard device is an electrical sensor unit.

22. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said guard device includes a mechanical blocking unit.

23. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 22, wherein said blocking unit includes a rotatably supported detent lever with a serration for meshing with a blocking serration on one end and an extension on a diametrically opposite end.

24. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said guard device includes an electrical blocking unit.

25. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, wherein said guard device includes a blocking unit, said unlocking unit having a switching rod with one end connected to said on/off switch means and another end operatively connected to said blocking unit.

26. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 25, wherein said tool insert is drivable in rotation about an axis of rotation, said switching rod being supported longitudinally displaceably along said axis of rotation.

27. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 25, wherein said switching rod has a switching pawl and a switching cam, with which a displacement in a longitudinal direction, tripped by an actuation of said on/off switch means, is convertible into an up-and-down motion having a first upper position and a second lower position.

28. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 25, wherein said switching rod has one end provided with an actuating pin engaging said on/off switch means and another end provided with a connecting part engaging an extension of a detent lever.

29. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 25, wherein said switching rod has an upper position and a lower position and is configured so that when said electric motor is switched off and said on/off switch means is tripped, said switching rod is located in said upper position.

30. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 25, wherein said switching rod has an upper position and a lower position and is configured so

that upon actuation of said on/off switch means, said switching rod is movable into said lower position and a detent lever is removable out of a blocking serration.

31. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, further comprising a clutch which, for blocking the motion of said housing, interrupts a flow of torque.

32. (new) A hand power tool as defined in claim 17, further comprising an electrical component, wherein an element selected from the group consisting of said electric motor, said electrical component, and both is switchable off in an event of blockage of said tool insert.